Grand Royal Arch Chapter.

1839.

ANNUAL MEETING.

At the Annual Meeting of the M.E. Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts, at the Masonic Temple, Tuesday evening, September 10th, A. L. 5839.

PRESENT:

M.E. SIMON W. ROBINSON,	Grand High Priest.
E. JOHN B. HAMMATT,	Dep. Gr. High Priest.
" ELIJAH ATHERTON,	Grand King.
" EDWARD A. RAYMOND,	Grand Scribe, *pro tem.*
" ABRAHAM A. DAME,	Grand Treasurer.
" SAMUEL HOWE,	Grand Secretary.
Rev. E. M. P. WELLS,	Grand Chaplain.
Comp. JOHN R. BRADFORD,	Grand Marshal.
" THOMAS WATERMAN,	Committee of Finance.
" CHARLES W. MOORE, " JOHN HEWS,	Committee on Charity.
" ROBERT KEITH, " LEMUEL GAY,	Grand Lecturers.
" ANSEL CAPEN,	Grand Steward.

Members.

E. JOHN J. LORING, E. PAUL DEAN,
E. THOMAS TOLMAN.

Visiters.

Samuel Wales,	Edwin Barnes,
——— Smith,	John Flint,
Noah D. Haskell,	Wm. Chanlatte.

The following Chapters were represented, viz:—St. Andrew's, St. Paul's, and Mount Zion.

The Grand Chapter was opened in due form.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Committee on delinquent Chapters, reported progress, and had further time granted.

The following report was read and accepted.

The Committee of Finance of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts, submit their annual report:—

The Treasurer had in his hands on settlement of last account, the sum of	$166 44
And has received from three Chapters, viz: St. Andrew's, St. Paul's, and Mount Zion, . . .	21 00
And from the Secretary for two diplomas, . .	1 00
And has allowed for interest, ...	6 00
Making the sum of	$194 44
He has paid during the past year, for sundry expenses of the Grand Chapter, and for which he has exhibited the proper vouchers, ...	114 83
Leaving a balance in his hands of	$79 61

The Grand Treasurer, as usual, declines any compensation for his services.

The Committee have also examined the records of the Grand Secretary, and find them kept in his usual correct manner, and

recommend that the sum of twelve dollars be allowed him for his services the past year.

All which is respectfully submitted.

Thomas Waterman, } *Committee*
Benjamin J. Leeds, } *of Finance.*

September 10th, 1839.

Voted to proceed to the election of officers.

The Grand Chapter resolved itself into Committee of the whole,—Comp. Paul Dean in the chair.

Comps. John Hews, and Charles W. Moore, were appointed a Committee to collect, assort and declare the votes.

The votes being taken, the following companions were declared duly elected to the offices set against their names.

M.E. Simon W. Robinson, . . .	Grand High Priest.
E. John B. Hammatt, . . .	Dep. G. High Priest.
" Elijah Atherton, . . .	Grand King.
" Enoch Hobart, ...	Grand Scribe.
" Abraham A. Dame, . . .	Grand Treasurer.
" Samuel Howe, ...	Grand Secretary.

The Committee of the whole then rose and reported the foregoing elections, which were approved by the Grand Chapter.

The Grand Marshal announced the following appointments, made by the Grand High Priest.

Rev. Dr. Ezra Ripley of Concord,	Grand Chaplains.
" Sebastian Streeter of Boston,	
" Seth Alden of Marlborough,	
" Edward T. Taylor of Boston,	
" E. M. P. Wells of Boston,	

Comp.	John R. Bradford,	Grand Marshal.
"	Elias Haskell,	Committee of Finance.
"	Thomas Waterman,	
"	Benjamin J. Leeds,	
"	Charles W. Moore,	Committee on Charity.
"	John Hews,	
"	Samuel Wales,	
"	Rob't Keith,	Grand Lecturers.
"	Lemuel Gay,	
"	Noah D. Haskell,	Grand Stewards.
"	Ansel Capen,	
"	Josiah Baldwin,	Grand Tyler.

The officers re-elected and appointed, were then qualified for their respective offices.

Proclamation was then made by the Grand Marshal, that the officers elected and appointed were qualified, and the Grand Chapter was duly organized for the year ensuing.

On motion, *Voted*, That the Grand Chapter pay its proportion of expenses of the Board of Relief for the ensuing year.

Parts of lectures were given on the Mark and Royal Arch degrees, and the Grand Chapter was closed in ancient form.

Attest,

SAMUEL HOWE,
Grand Secretary.

STATED MEETING.

At a Stated Meeting of the M.E. Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts, at the Masonic Temple, on March 10th, A. L. 5840.

Present:

M.E.	Simon W. Robinson,	Grand High Priest.
E.	John B. Hammatt,	Deputy Grand High Priest.
"	Elijah Atherton,	Grand King.
"	Enoch Hobart,	Grand Scribe.
"	Abraham A. Dame,	Grand Treasurer.
"	Samuel Howe,	Grand Secretary.
"	John R. Bradford,	Grand Marshal.
"	Thomas Waterman,	Committee of Finance.
"	Robert Keith,	Grand Lecturer.
"	John Hews,	Committee on Charity.
"	Charles W. Moore,	
"	Noah D. Haskell,	Grand Steward.
"	Josiah Baldwin,	Grand Tyler.

Members.

E. Caleb Butler, E. Thomas Tolman,
" Paul Dean, " Daniel L. Gibbens,
E. Edward A. Raymond.

Visiters.

Comp. Edwin Barnes, Comp. Chas. Williams,
" Leonard Hodges, " Henry H. Barton,
Comp. Jacob S. Savage.

Chapters represented.

Saint Andrew's,	by Ruel Baker, High Priest.
" "	Hugh H. Tuttle, Scribe.
Saint Paul's,	Winslow Lewis, Jr., High Priest.
" "	Francis R. Bigelow, Scribe.
Mount Zion,	Nathaniel Blake, proxy for Jonathan Reynolds, King.

The Grand Chapter was opened in ancient form.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Committee on delinquent Chapters, reported progress in the duty assigned them, and were requested to continue their labors.

On motion, *Voted*, That the Council be appointed a Committee on the following Chapters, viz:

King Cyrus, . . .	Newburyport.
Adoniram, ...	Taunton.
Sutton, ...	Sutton.

On motion, *Voted*, That the Grand Secretary be directed to write to the following Chapters and obtain their Charters, if possible, viz:

King Solomon's, . .	Charlton.
Washington, . . .	Salem.

On motion, *Voted*, That the Charters of the following Chapters are hereby declared to be revoked, viz:

Washington, . . .	Salem.
Thomas, ...	Princeton.
Worcester, . . .	Worcester.
Mount Horeb, . . .	Lowell.

A discussion took place relative to St. John's Chapter in Groton, whereupon it was *Voted*, That the Council be appointed a Committee to report a general rule with regard to demanding the dues and funds of delinquent Chapters.

On motion, *Voted*, That the Grand Treasurer be directed to pay the bill of the Committee on Subordinate Chapters, amounting to $4.80.

The Charter and By-Laws of Concord Chapter were returned.

On motion, *Voted*, That Comps. John B. Hammatt, Dan'l L. Gibbens, and Edward A. Raymond, be appointed a Committee to examine the By-Laws of the Grand Chapter, and report any alteration they may deem expedient.

Part of a lecture was given, and prayer offered by Comp. Paul Dean, and the Grand Chapter closed in due form.

Attest,

SAMUEL HOWE,
Grand Secretary.

The following is a list of the Chapters under the jurisdiction of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts.

St. Andrew's, Boston,	Charter dated	A. L. 5769
St. John's, Groton,	do.	5803
King Solomon's, Charlton,	do.	5805
Adoniram, Taunton,	do.	5816
Morning Star, Springfield,	do.	5817
St. Paul's, Boston,	do.	5818
Mount Zion, Stoughton,	do.	5820
Mount Lebanon, Medway,	do.	5824
Brookfield, Brookfield,	do.	5825
Northampton, Northampton,	do.	5825
Sutton, Sutton,	do.	5826

The Stated Communications are held in Boston, on the Tuesday next preceding the second Wednesday in June, September and December. The Massachusetts Convention of High Priests hold their meetings in Boston, on the same days.

Communications to the Grand Chapter may be directed to Samuel Howe, Grand Secretary, Boston.